Council for Teacher Education

The Council for Teacher Education met on Wednesday, March 19, 2008, at 3:30 p.m. in Room 2020 of the Cate Teacher Education Center. The following members were present: Danny Acosta, Rhett Allain, David Bernard, Rana Mitra as Proxy for Roy Bonnette, Mindy Crain-Dorough, Mary Beth Crovetto, Deborah Dardis, Alissa Davies, Rebecca Day, Charlotte Humphries, Steve Link, Gail McMillon, Terri Miller-Drufner, Bill Neal, Martha Thornhill, Cathy Tijerino. Flo Winstead, NCATE Coordinator, was present as a guest speaker for an NCATE preparation discussion.

1. Dr. Rebecca Day called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the meeting on November 14, 2007, were approved as submitted.

3. Updated Roster of Members

Dr. Day introduced Dr. Charlotte Humphries as the new representative from the Department of Kinesiology and Health Studies, replacing Dr. Edward Hebert.

4. Preparation for NCATE visit, April 12-16, 2008

Flo Winstead, NCATE Coordinator, reminded members of the interview schedule for NCATE. CTE members will be interviewed on Monday, April 14, 2008, from 2:00 p.m.until 2:45 p.m. in Room 2020 of the TEC. She stated that it is critical to have a good group in attendance. A handout was provided by Ms. Winstead for CTE members to review. Ms. Winstead also reminded CTE members that while the Board of Examiners will ask questions, they will also want examples. Ms. Winstead commented that all members should contribute to answering questions and should add to one another's answers with different examples.

The Conceptual Framework was discussed. The Board of Examiners will want to know how the CTE was involved in the development of the Conceptual Framework and how the four components play out. Dr. Day stated that all members were not here, but need to know that the Conceptual Framework was presented to the CTE and input was sought from the group. Dr. Humphries asked who developed the Conceptual Framework. Ms. Winstead answered that it was developed by a task force with input from several groups. All decisions made in the College of Education and Human Development are based on the Conceptual Framework. The Board of Examiners may ask to see data. The Board may ask how the Conceptual Framework works in the field. Members should be able to exhibit effective strategies.

The Assessment System was reviewed. There are 3 major portals. Members should know that candidates cannot move forward in the program until all requirements are met in the previous portal. Greater emphasis may be placed on advanced levels.

Dispositions and SPA reports were reviewed. Of the 19 SPA reports submitted, all were nationally recognized with the exception of two SPED programs and two in Educational Technology. These are being resubmitted prior to NCATE.

The NCATE web page is under construction.

Dr. Day asked if all present today would be available for the NCATE meeting. All said they would.

There was a miscommunication at the last meeting. Does this committee serve as an advisor to the Dean of the COEHD? Dr. Neal referred to Standard 6 which states "The CTE is critical to our programs in terms of a governing body which makes and recommends changes, additions, and revisions".

5. Other Business

Dr. Day asked if any new proposals were anticipated for April. If no new proposals were needed, the CTE may not meet in April. The next meeting would then be in September.

Dr. Day stated that since she is retiring in June, a new chair will need to be elected.

6. Next Meeting

Next meeting on April 16, 2008, 3:00 p.m., TEC Room 2020. Proposals due by April 9, 2008.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.